

# CAN

## Collaborative Assistance Network

### MINUTES

**Wednesday, September 12, 2012**

**Town Hall, Conference Room C**

**10:30AM**

**Present:** Deb Adamczyk, Kelly Allen, Susan Angelides, Anne Bladen, Susan Daley, Kathleen Krider, Rachel Leclerc (in at 10:52), Avery Lanhart, Susan Rozelle and Jillene Woodmansee

<i><b>WHAT (Topic)</b></i>	<i><b>DISCUSSION</b></i>	<i><b>OUTCOME</b></i>
Call to Order	K. Krider called the meeting to order at 10:35am.	
Introductions	All present introduced themselves.	
New Business	<p><b>1. Overview of purpose of CAN for 2012</b></p> <p><b>a. Historical background</b></p> <p>K. Krider gave background information regarding CAN. She noted that can previously WAS used as an opportunity for Early Care and Education Centers to bring forward specific children having potential needs and was an for members of CAN to discuss and brainstorm solutions for these children.</p> <p><b>b. New view</b></p> <p>K. Krider gave a brief overview of the Town's School Readiness Grant which is awarded by the State Department of Education (SDE) and which provides Mansfield families with financial assistance towards quality early care and education when they might not otherwise be able to afford it.</p> <p>K. Krider also discussed the Discovery Grant which is awarded to the Town of Mansfield through the Graustein Memorial Fund (GMF) and its function within the Town. She noted that both funders, the SDE and the GMF, mandate that the Town have and implement a Transition to Kindergarten Plan and it is her vision to have CAN develop this in the next year.</p>	<p>A. Bladen and S. Daley will work to find a definition of "transition" from the SDE and GMF.</p>



Adjournment	<p>The meeting adjourned at 11:35am.</p> <p>Next CAN Meeting: TBD</p> <p>Agenda topics: Please send to Kathleen at <a href="mailto:kriderk@mansfieldct.org">kriderk@mansfieldct.org</a></p> <p>Respectfully submitted, Jillene B. Woodmansee Assistant to the Early Childhood Services Coordinator</p>	
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